COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUL

HUMAN SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

December 6, 2002

Committee Report No.

02-182

Honorable Chair and Members of the County Council County of Maui Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Human Services and Economic Development Committee, having met on November 14, 2002, makes reference to County Communication No. 02-226, from the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, transmitting the following:

 A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF A LEASE TO OCCUPY COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TO HALE MAHAOLU EHIKU, INC.".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize a grant of a lease to occupy approximately 6.012 acres of County real property located in Kihei, Tax Map Key No. (2) 2-2-002:073 for the purpose of constructing and operating an affordable, elderly rental housing facility, similar to other elderly rental housing projects operated by the parent entity, Hale Mahaolu, Inc.

2. A Grant Agreement for a Lease of County Real Property.

The purpose of the Grant Agreement is to acknowledge that Hale Mahaolu Ehiku, Inc. has applied for a grant of a lease of real property situated at Kihei, Maui, Hawaii, identified as Tax Map Key No. (2) 2-2-002:073 for a period of 75 years, at a rate of less than fair market rental, which is \$1.00 per year.

3. A Lease.

The purpose of the Lease is to establish the terms and conditions for the use of County real property situated at Kihei, Maui, Hawaii, identified as Tax Map Key No. (2) 2-2-002:073 by Hale Mahaolu Ehiku, Inc.

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By correspondence dated November 4, 2002, the Director of Housing and Human Concerns provided a map showing the location of the subject property.

By correspondence dated November 7, 2002, your Committee Chair transmitted a revised resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF A LEASE TO OCCUPY COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TO HALE MAHAOLU EHIKU, INC.". The resolution was revised to correct the Tax Map Key number from (2) 2-2-022:073 to (2) 2-2-002:073.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

Your Committee received testimony from two people. The first testifier, the Mayor-Elect, requested that your Committee not grant a lease of the subject property to Hale Mahaolu. He informed your Committee that the property is needed for a police station, gymnasium and parking. He further stated that he is supportive of the efforts of Hale Mahaolu and is willing to work with them to find another piece of land in the Kihei area.

The second testifier, the Development Coordinator of Hale Mahaolu, provided written and oral testimony requesting support for the project. She included an overview of the organization and its planned project, which is to provide affordable, elderly rental housing in Kihei. In addition, she informed your Committee that Hale Mahaolu was notified that the United States (U.S.) Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will provide a \$855,000 grant to construct this project. Hale Mahaolu will seek funding from other sources, such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Community Reinvestment Corporation, HOME, Federal Home Loan Bank and other charitable resources. The complete project will consist of 120 elderly housing units, an Adult Day Care Center, and an Adult Residential Care Home.

Your Committee expressed support for the housing project and requested that your Committee Chair send a letter to the Mayor-Elect and HUD offering support for the project and requesting that the Mayor-Elect work with Hale Mahaolu to find an alternate site for the project.

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Your Committee voted to recommend referral of the communication to the Council Chair for the 2003-2005 Council term.

Your Human Services and Economic Development Committee RECOMMENDS that County Communication No. 02-226 be REFERRED to the Council Chair for the term beginning January 2, 2003.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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